

welcome. We anticipate interested parties to include: the home health agency (HHA) industry association representatives, HHA administrators and owners, home care professionals, university-based and private research organizations, Congressional members and staff, home care software vendors, beneficiary advocates, and any other interested parties.

In this meeting, we will provide an overview of the HH PPS proposed rule and will focus on a number of its key components and present past and current research efforts related to the HH PPS.

This meeting will be broadcast live from the HCFA Central Office Main Auditorium and will include three satellite broadcast viewing sites in Boston, Chicago, and Dallas. All four sites have a capacity of approximately 500 individuals. The audiences viewing the broadcast via satellite will have the ability to participate in the question-and-answer period at the end of this presentation. For those who cannot attend in Baltimore, the address of the downlink sites, registration information, and satellite coordinates for this presentation will be posted on the HCFA website www.hcfa.gov. Once individuals are on this website, they will need to highlight the red bullet, in the lower right hand corner, titled "Events, Meetings, and Workgroups."

The meeting will conclude with a question-and-answer session including the HCFA Central Office location as well as the three-satellite downlink sites. The toll-free phone number to call to participate will be broadcast during the meeting.

At the conclusion of the satellite broadcast, a 2-hour listening session is planned for participants in Baltimore only in the HCFA Central Office Main Auditorium during which time we will listen to concerns related to home health issues in general. This is a listening session only and not part of the HH PPS overview presentation.

In order to participate in the general home health listening session, individuals must sign up at 10 a.m. on the day of the town hall meeting. Presenters will be limited to the first 20 people who sign up. A sign up sheet will be available outside of the HCFA Main Auditorium. Individuals must limit their presentation to 3 minutes in length. We also ask that the oral presenters provide their statements in writing. Individuals who are unable to present oral statements may submit their statements in writing. We believe this will enable us to better consider all the concerns raised during this general home health listening session.

While the meeting is open to the public, attendance is limited to space available. Individuals must register in advance as described below.

Registration

AFYA Inc. will handle registration for all four meeting sites. Individuals must register following the directions posted on the HCFA website, www.hcfa.gov. Once individuals are on this website, they will need to highlight the red bullet, in the lower right hand corner, titled "Events, Meetings, and Workgroups."

Each participant will receive a confirmation letter as receipt of registration. Each participant will be provided with a meeting agenda at the time of the meeting. If individuals have any questions regarding registration, they should contact the AFYA Event Management Help Desk at (800) 377-9921.

Authority: Section 1895 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395fff).

Dated: October 21, 1999.

Michael M. Hash,

Deputy Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

43 CFR Parts 3730, 3820, 3830, 3840, and 3850

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RIN 1004-AD31

Locating, Recording, and Maintaining Mining Claims or Sites

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Proposed rule; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: In response to requests from the public, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is extending the comment period on the proposed rule to amend regulations on locating, recording, and maintaining mining claims or sites. You may comment on this rule for an additional 90 days.

DATES: You should submit your comments on the proposed rule by January 24, 2000. In developing a final rule, BLM may not consider comments postmarked or received in person or by electronic mail after this date.

ADDRESSES: If you want to comment, you may:

(1) Hand-deliver comments to the Bureau of Land Management, Administrative Record, Room 401, 1620 L Street, N.W., Washington, D.C.;

(2) Mail comments to: Bureau of Land Management, Administrative Record, Room 401 LS, 1849 C St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20240; or

(3) Send comments by way of the Internet to: WOCComment@blm.gov. If you submit your comments electronically, please submit them as an ASCII file to minimize computer problems and include "Attn: AD31" and your name and return address in your Internet message. If you do not receive a confirmation from the system that we have received your Internet message, contact us directly at (202) 452-0350.

You may review the public comments received on the proposed rule at BLM's Regulatory Affairs Group office, 1620 L St., N.W., Room 401, Washington, D.C., during regular business hours (7:45 am to 4:15 pm) Monday through Friday, excluding holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Roger Haskins in the Solid Minerals Group at (202) 452-0355 or Ted Hudson in Regulatory Affairs at (202) 452-5042. For assistance in reaching the above contacts, individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service at 1-(800) 877-8339 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The original proposed rule appeared in the **Federal Register** on August 27, 1999 (64 FR 47023). The initial comment period expires on October 26, 1999.

Dated: October 20, 1999.

Sylvia V. Baca,

Assistant Secretary of the Interior—Designate.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

43 CFR Part 3800

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RIN 1004-AD22

Mining Claims Under the General Mining Laws; Surface Management

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Supplemental proposed rule; reopening of comment period on draft environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces the reopening of the comment period on our